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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants - Kenneth R. Rosensteel Jr. et al

Serial Number - 09/896,156

Art Unit - 2154

Filed - June 29, 2001

For - Method and Data Processing System Providing File I/O Across Multiple Heterogeneous Computer Systems

Examiner - Wen-Tai Lin

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**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.116(b)**

14 Carlisle Road  
Dedham, Massachusetts 02026  
June 25, 2005

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington,  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on May 23, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116(b) for placing the application in condition for allowance or in the alternative, in better form for Appeal.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

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